AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY JUNE 15, 2006 AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY JUNE 8, 2006

SENATE BILL

No. 1287

Introduced by Senator Ducheny

February 14, 2006

An act relating to social services, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1287, as amended, Ducheny. Local Revenue Fund: Social Services and Caseload Subaccounts: program: funding.

Under existing law, the Controller allocates specified funds from the Social Services Subaccount of the Sales Tax Account of, and the Caseload Subaccount of the Sales Tax Growth Account of, the Local Revenue Fund to counties, for the purpose of financing various programs for the provision of services to needy children and adults.

This bill would require the Welfare Policy Research Project of the University of California, utilizing data—and, information, and assistance provided by the Department of Finance—and, the State Department of Social Services, and the Legislative Analyst to-compile data and submit a report to the Legislature and the Governor sponsor a symposium for legislators, legislative staff, and affected stakeholders by April 1, 2008, that would—include address specified information relating to the funding of programs funded from the Social Services Subaccount of the Sales Tax Account of, and the Caseload Subaccount of the Sales Tax Growth Account of, the Local Revenue Fund, in relation to a specified realignment of social services programs and the funding thereof, enacted in 1991.

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This bill would appropriate \$25,000 to the University of California from the General Fund of the State Treasury for the purposes of funding this symposium.

Vote: majority ²/₃. Appropriation: no-yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. By April 1, 2008, the Welfare Policy Research 2 Project of the University of California, utilizing data—and, information, and assistance provided by the Department of 4 Finance-and, the State Department of Social Services, and the Legislative Analyst, shall-submit a report to the Legislature and the Governor, that identifies all of the following: sponsor a 6 symposium for legislators, legislative staff, and affected stakeholders, addressing all of the following issues:
 - (a) An analysis of the cost-sharing ratios enacted by the 1991 program realignment, the current ability of these ratios to provide service levels necessary to meet caseload needs, and whether the cost-sharing ratios established in the realignment create program incentives that may not best serve the programmatic needs.
 - (b) (1) Changes to the revenue streams dedicated to the programs funded from the Social Services Subaccount of the Sales Tax Account of, and the Caseload Subaccount of the Sales Tax Growth Account of, the Local Revenue Fund.
 - (2) An analysis of the impacts of changes in the revenue stream and changes in caseloads and changes in the revenue stream or changes in caseloads to programs specified in paragraph (1), including any disproportionate programmatic growth.
 - (c) The effects of policy changes since 1991 on the Social Services Subaccount of the Sales Tax Account of, and the Caseload Subaccount of the Sales Tax Growth Account of, the Local Revenue Fund, and the programs funded from these accounts.
- 28 (d) An analysis of any variations between counties when realignment revenues are compared to the costs of realigned 30 programs.
- 31 There is hereby appropriated the sum of twenty five-thousand dollars (\$25,000) from the General Fund to the 32

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- 1 University of California for the purpose of funding the 2 symposium to be convened by the Welfare Policy Research 3 Project as required by this bill.